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STATUS OF CLAIMS AND SUPPORT FOR CLAIM CHANGES

(37 C.F.R. § 1.173(c))

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1. The status of the claims as a result of the amendment submitted herewith is:

Claims cancelled: 1-12, 16-18, 22, 23, 25

Claims amended: 13-15, 19-21, 24, 26

Claims added: 27-38

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2. The support in the disclosure of the patent for the changes made to the claims and for the claims added is as follows:

Amended claims:

Claim 13 is a combination of subject matter in original Claims 1, 11, and 13
Claim 19 is a combination of subject matter in original Claims 1, 16, and 19
Claim 24 is a combination of subject matter in original Claims 1, 23, and 24
Claim 26 is a combination of subject matter in original Claims 1, 16, and 26

New claims:

Claim 27: See column 8, line 45 to column 9, line 27 and in Fig. 1, particularly heat exchanger 150. Additional support is found in Fig. 2 (250), Fig. 3 (150), Fig. 4 (150), Fig. 5 (150), Fig. 7, Fig. 8 (150), and Fig. 9 (150). It is seen that at least a portion of the pressurized gaseous refrigerant (162, 510) is cooled in a heat exchanger (150, 250) that does not cool the feed gas.

Claim 28: See column 8, line 45 to column 9, line 27 and in Fig. 1, particularly heat exchanger 150. Additional support is found in Fig. 3 (150), Fig. 4 (150), Fig. 5 (150), Fig. 8 (150), and Fig. 9 (150). It is seen that all of the pressurized gaseous refrigerant (162, 510) is cooled in a heat exchanger (150, 250) that does not cool the feed gas.

Claim 29: See Fig. 2 (262, 206, 222, 202) and at column 9, lines 41-45.

Claim 30: See column 6, lines 30-34 and at column 8, lines 45-47.

Claim 31: See at column 6, lines 30-34; column 8, line 45 to column 9, line 27; column 9, line 64 to column 10, line 9; Fig. 1; and Fig. 4.

Claim 32: See column 9, lines 6-27 and in Fig. 1.

Claim 33: See column 7, lines 51-55.

Claim 34: See column 8, line 45 to column 9, line 27 and in Fig. 1, particularly heat exchanger 150. Additional support found in Fig. 2 (250), Fig. 3 (150), Fig. 4 (150), Fig. 5 (150), Fig. 7, Fig. 8 (150), and Fig. 9 (150). It is seen that at least a portion of the pressurized gaseous refrigerant (162, 510) is cooled in a heat exchanger (150, 250) that does not cool the feed gas.

Claim 35: See column 8, line 45 to column 9, line 27 and in Fig. 1, particularly heat exchanger 150. Additional support found in Fig. 3 (150), Fig. 4 (150), Fig. 5 (150), Fig. 8 (150), and Fig. 9 (150). It is seen that all of the pressurized gaseous refrigerant (162, 510) is cooled in a heat exchanger (150, 250) that does not cool the feed gas.

Claim 36: See column 8, line 45 to column 9, line 5, and Fig. 1.

Claim 37: See column 9, lines 6-27 and in Fig. 1 (130, 150).

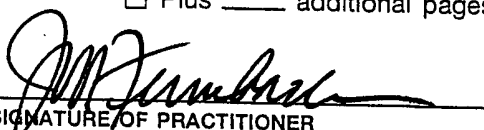
Claim 38: See column 7, lines 51-55.

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